



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH : NAGPUR

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO.125/2026

Sachin Kashinath Ingle (In Jail) .Vs. State of Maharashtra and Ors.

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Ms Sonali Khobragade, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. S. S. Doifode, A.P.P. for respondents.

CORAM : ANIL L. PANSARE AND NIVEDITA P. MEHTA, JJ.

DATE : MARCH 7, 2026.

On 17.02.2026, following order was passed:

“The petitioner-convict seeks a direction to process his case for extending the benefit in terms of communication dated 16/11/1978, issued by the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Home Department. The said communication lays down guiding principles indicating a broad division of the pattern of crimes for the purpose of premature release of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for life.

02. The grievance of the petitioner is that, despite such guidelines existing, the respondents have not processed his case for premature release in terms of the said communication.

03. As such, we are of the view that the directions, as sought, are not necessary, as the respondents are duty-bound to process the case of every convict who is otherwise entitled to the benefit under the aforesaid communication.

04. The learned A.P.P. shall take instructions as to why was the petitioner's case not processed in terms of the aforesaid communication. For that purpose, issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 7th March, 2026.

05. Mr. Doifode, learned A.P.P. waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents/State.”

2. In response, learned A.P.P. submits that the decision has been taken on 17.02.2026 by which it is held that the petitioner will be released after 24 years of imprisonment including remission. A copy of the order is tendered across the bar. It is taken on record and marked “X” for identification.

4. In view of above, learned counsel for petitioner, on instructions, seeks permission to withdraw the petition with liberty to challenge the decision.

5. Permission is granted.

6. The writ petition is disposed of as withdrawn with liberty as prayed for

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